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Dear Dave:

We are making a slight change of plan since Jim Crow is flying out with us and we now expect to arrive on the United Airline no. 129 (?) At any rate the one that arrives at San Francisco airport scheduled at 5:30 A.M. We could not think of dragging anyone out of bed to meet us at such an ungodly hour and I think you would be very generous but not very prudent to renew your offer to meet us on these terms. In any case I am sure that we would enjoy an opportunity to rest for an hour or two, have breakfast, and so forth.

I have already discussed with Lyle Cook the possibility of having a medical school car at our disposal for a few days until we get ourselves settled. Could I ask you to arrange with him how we might pick up this car. Of course the most convenient arrangement would be if it could be waiting for us at the airport but barring that we can come down by limousine to Palo Alto and pick it up at the medical school. We have reservations at the Studio Inn for at least our first night and I don't think we will have any great trouble thereafter.

It was curious that you should have noticed that advertisement on leasing an automobile since Esther and I did the same, having entered a premonitory subscription to the Palo Alto Times for just such reasons. I may make some arrangement with them but at the present my thought is to find a student here at Wisconsin who may wish to drive our car out as a means of his own transportation and after a delay of a few days this should solve that problem for the rest of the spring.

There may not be time for an exchange of correspondence before our arrival the morning of the 21st and I will check at the United Airlines desk at the airport for any messages or instructions upon our arrival.

I wonder if you remember Anthony Iannone who was a classmate of mine through high school, college, and medical school. Anyhow, he paid us a visit this weekend from Minneapolis where he is now on the medical school staff in the Department of Neurology. He will be coming out to the coast for some meetings of the Academy of Neurology this spring and there is a possibility of his visiting Stanford at that time.

Looking forward more every day.

Yours cordially,

Joshua Lederberg